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John Hutchings to Andrew Jackson, April 16, 1806, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

JOHN HUTCHINGS TO JACKSON.

New Orleans, April 16, 1806.

Deare Genl.... I reached this City on the 12 of apriel and do not look for our Boats untill about the twentieth if then, the River is at last on the rise. I hope it will be of greate survice to them. Cotton has fallen from 24 to 22 \$ pr. Hundred, but from the quantity of large ships that is now in this port weighten for freight it will Command that som if not Higher. staves s[t]ill Command their former prices and are in demand. I expect they will be down by thousands in few weakes. But ours will be down first and will Command a price.

I named to you in my former letter about that old villian Grimsly who by his neglect lost one of his Boats, and when he reached this place would not assist to unlode her and let her sink at the side of the vessell. Meeker Williamson and Patten paid him fifteen Dollars. I only name this sum so that we may know what we have paid him. I have also Re'd mr. Coffees Memorandom of dry goods. I find Callicoes may be had here on good terms and the most of such things as we want dil [mutilated] ware vary low and Coffee on the extreem 3½ Cents, Sugar B. II Ct, loafe 28; lump 22 Cents.

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| P. S. Sir gave my Complaments aunt Jackson and all inquiring friends. I have purchd. 1000 lbs logwood and you may Contract with the Hatter [?] in Nashvill neerly that amt, sold at \$65 pr tun here. |
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